

(Hartford) – Today **Senators Joseph I. Lieberman** and **Richard Blumenthal** along with **Congressman John B. Larson**

expressed their continued support for designating The Harriet Beecher Stowe House in Hartford as a national historic landmark. This week the National Historic Landmark Committee advanced the process by unanimously approving its nomination and sending it to the National Park System Advisory Board, who will determine whether or not to designate the Harriet Beecher Stowe House as a National Historic Landmark.

"The Harriet Beecher Stowe House, situated in Hartford's historic Nook Farm neighborhood, is a tangible reminder of what Mrs. Stowe's brave novel continues to help teach our children; the lesson of tolerance and forgiveness, of moving forward together as one people, one nation despite our many differences," said Senator Lieberman. "Celebrating our local heritage requires the preservation of that heritage, and I am pleased with the progress to designate the Harriet Beecher Stowe House as a National Historic Landmark."

"Harriet Beecher Stowe's actions inspire us to effect change, and visitors from all over the world come to Hartford to learn about her accomplishments," said Blumenthal. "I'm proud to support this important nomination and I'll continue working toward its final designation."

"Harriet Beecher Stowe left an indelible mark on American history, and through the preservation of her house in Hartford, current and future generations can come to learn and appreciate her extraordinary accomplishments and the lasting legacy they have had," said Congressman Larson. "I commend the National Historic Landmark Committee for approving this nomination, and look forward to continuing my work to support the nomination of The Harriet Beecher Stowe House as a national historic landmark."

"The Stowe Center is pleased that the Landmarks Committee of the National Park System Advisory Board has recommended the Harriet Beecher Stowe House be designated a National Historic Landmark," said Katherine D. Kane, Executive Director of the Harriet Beecher Stowe Center. "We understand the full advisory board will consider this and make a recommendation to the Secretary of the Interior. We are particularly grateful to the offices of Congressman Larson and Senator Lieberman who testified in support of this designation. This is an important step in the process of recognizing the national significance of Harriet Beecher Stowe's Hartford home."

In October Senators Lieberman and Blumenthal and Congressman Larson wrote a letter to the Chief of the National Register of Historic Places and National Historic Landmarks Program, J. Paul Loether, in support of nominating the Harriet Beecher Stowe House as a National Historic Landmark.

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